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# UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

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<i>Attorney Docket No.</i>	4204-00020
<i>First Inventor</i>	Timothy E. Brahier
<i>Title</i>	Continuous Strip Bag Feeder And Loader With Integrated Printer Assembly
<i>Express Mail Label No.</i>	EV383667654US

**APPLICATION ELEMENTS**

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

- Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)  
*(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)*
- Applicant claims small entity status.  
See 37 CFR 1.27.
- Specification [Total Pages 15]  
*(preferred arrangement set forth below)*
  - Descriptive title of the invention
  - Cross Reference to Related Applications
  - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
  - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
  - Background of the Invention
  - Brief Summary of the Invention
  - Brief Description of the Drawings (*if filed*)
  - Detailed Description
  - Claim(s)
  - Abstract of the Disclosure
- Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 5]
- Oath or Declaration [Total Sheets 2]
  - a.  Newly executed (original or copy)
  - b.  Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))  
*(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)*
    - i.  **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**  
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) name in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
- Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

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*(if applicable, all necessary)*
  - a.  Computer Readable Form (CRF)
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    - ii.  Paper
- c.  Statements verifying identity of above copies

**ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS**

9.  Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10.  37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement  Power of Attorney  
*(when there is an assignee)*
11.  English Translation Document (*if applicable*)
12.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449  Copies of IDS Citations
13.  Preliminary Amendment
14.  Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)  
*(Should be specifically itemized)*
15.  Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)  
*(if foreign priority is claimed)*
16.  Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122 (b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent.
17.  Other: .....

18. If a CONTINUATING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in the first sentence of the specification following the title, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76:

 Continuation       Divisional       Continuation-in-part (CIP)      of prior application No.: 10/045,435.....

Prior application information:

Examiner Devore, Peter T.

Art Unit: 3751

For CONTINUATION OF DIVISIONAL APPS only: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied under Box 5b, is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference. The incorporation can only be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts.

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1003	530	2003	265			Plant filing fee	
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1005	160	2005	80			Provisional filing fee	
<b>SUBTOTAL (1)</b>		<b>(\$ 385.00)</b>					

#### 2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
10	-20** =	0	= 0
Independent Claims 2	- 3** =	0	= 0
Multiple Dependent			= 0

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1202	18	2202 9 Claims in excess of 20
1201	86	2201 43 Independent claims in excess of 3
1203	290	2203 145 Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
1204	86	2204 43 ** Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205	18	2205 9 ** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent
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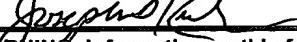
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1053	130	1053	130	Non-English specification	
1812	2,520	1812	2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
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1805	1,840*	1805	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251	110	2251	55	Extension for reply within first month	
1252	420	2252	210	Extension for reply within second month	
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1403	290	2403	145	Request for oral hearing	
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1452	110	2452	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
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1807	50	1807	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
1806	180	1806	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
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1809	770	2809	385	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))	
1810	770	2810	385	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	
1801	770	2801	385	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
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**REQUEST FOR FILING A CONTINUATION APPLICATION**

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Sir:

This is a request for filing a continuation application under 37 C.F.R. 1.60, of pending prior application Serial No. 10/045,435 filed on November 7, 2001 of Timothy E. Brahier and James W. Gleesing for Continuous Strip Bag Feeder And Loader With Integrated Printer Assembly.

1. Enclosed is a copy of the prior complete application, including the oath or Declaration as originally filed and a Declaration verifying it as a true copy.

**Applicant: TIMOTHY E. BRAHIER ET AL.**

2. The filing fee is calculated below:

<u>For</u>	<u>Number Filed</u>	<u>Number Extra</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Fee</u>
Basic Filing Fee				\$385.00
Total Claims	10			
Independent Claims	2			
Multiple Claims	0			
<b>TOTAL FILING FEE</b>				<b>\$385.00</b>

3. A check in the amount of \$385.00 is enclosed.
4. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required or credit any overpayment to Account No. 01.2000. A duplicate of this sheet is attached.
5. A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
6. Formal drawings are enclosed.
7. The prior application is assigned of record to Sharp Packaging Systems, Inc.
8. The power of attorney in the prior application is to Joseph D. Kuborn, Reg. No. 40,689, and the members of the firm Andrus, Sceales, Starke & Sawall, LLP, 100 East Wisconsin Avenue, Suite 1100, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202.
- (a) The power appears in the original papers of the parent application.
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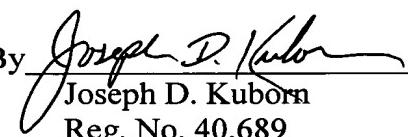
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10. I hereby verify that the attached papers are a true copy of the complete application Serial No. 10/045,435 as originally filed on November 7, 2001.

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Respectfully submitted,

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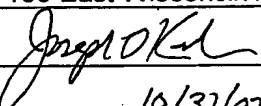
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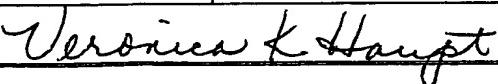
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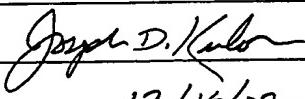
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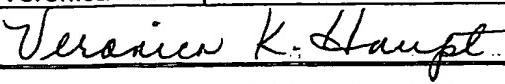
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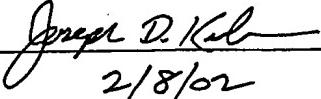
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